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SPRINGFIELD MAN FACES METH CHARGES IN ADDITION TO ORIGINAL INDICTMENT FOR RECEIVING STOLEN ANTIQUE FIREARMS

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Springfield, Mo., man who was originally indicted for receiving antique firearms stolen from the Visitor Center at Wilson's Creek National Battlefield, was indicted by a federal grand jury today on an additional narcotics charge.

George Tony Doos, 44, of Springfield, was charged in a superseding indictment returned by a federal grand jury in Springfield. Today's indictment replaces the original indictment that was returned on Thursday, April 1, 2004, adding a fifth count.

Count One of the federal indictment alleges that **Doos** received three stolen firearms between Jan. 11, 2004, and March 16, 2004, in Greene County, Mo. These firearms include a M1849 .36-caliber Colt Pocket Revolver, a U.S. Model 1842 Percussion Pistol and a Model 1851 Colt Navy Revolver. Each of the firearms is valued in excess of \$1,000, Graves said.

Count Two of the federal indictment alleges that on March 20, 2004, **Doos** used physical force against another person with the intent to prevent communication to law enforcement that he had received the stolen firearms.

Count Three of the federal indictment alleges that **Doos** knowingly possessed on March 22, 2003, in Greene County, a Jennings .32-caliber semi-automatic pistol containing a serial number that had been obliterated.

Count Four of the federal indictment alleges that **Doos** was a felon in possession of a Taurus .38-caliber revolver and a Jennings .32-caliber semi-automatic pistol on March 22, 2003, in Greene County. Under federal law, Graves explained, it is illegal for any felon to be in possession of any firearm or ammunition. **Doos** has a previous felony conviction for possession

of a controlled substance for sale in the state of California.

Count Five of the federal indictment alleges that **Doos** maintained a residence located at 2950 W. Washita in Springfield from at least as early as Sept. 1, 2003, to March 19, 2004, for the purpose of manufacturing and distributing methamphetamine.

Graves cautioned that the charges contained in the indictment are simply accusations, and not evidence of guilt. Evidence supporting the charges must be presented to a federal trial jury, whose duty is to determine guilt or innocence.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Richard Monroe. It was investigated by the Greene County, Mo., Sheriff's Department and Greene County Detective Richard Mayo, the Springfield, Mo., Police Department, the National Park Service, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives and the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

This news release, as well as additional information about the office of the United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, is available on-line at
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